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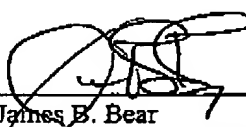
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Dear Sir:

On March 10, 2006 Applicant filed an Information Disclosure Statement in this case. A copy of that Information Disclosure is attached (5 pages). This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed to explain the relevance of the material (Exhibits 1-33) submitted with that Information Disclosure Statement. These exhibits were attached to an opinion of counsel for an opposing party in a license negotiation. Thus, the exhibits and the opinion are relevant to the extent that they are arguments of that counsel and his supporting references (The opinion is listed on attached PTO/SB/08 form with an arrow).

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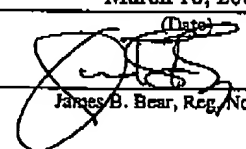
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application is a PTO/SB/08 Equivalent listing 1 reference to be considered by the Examiner. Also enclosed is 1 non-patent literature as listed on the Information Disclosure Statement. **with exhibits 1-33.**

The above-captioned pending patent application, or a related application, is the subject of license negotiations between the assignee of this application and a third party. That negotiation relates to many patents and patent applications belonging to the assignee. During the course of license negotiations, on Tuesday of this week, 3/7/06, the potential licensee provided the assignee with an opinion which the potential licensee acquired from its counsel. Because the Examiner may find the arguments of licensee's counsel, or the references attached to the opinion, of interest, the entire document received from the potential licensee is being supplied in this case, and in other cases owned by the assignee. Some of the attached references are already of record in this application, but are included so that this submission is complete.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a final action and before the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance.

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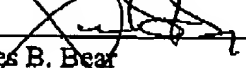
I hereby certify that no item of information contained in this Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application, or, to my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than 30 days or three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Thus, no fee is required as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
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	Exhibit. 1	5,818,630	10-06-98	Fermann et. al.	
	Exhibit. 2	2003/0202547	10-30-03	Fermann et al.	
	Exhibit. 3	2005/0008044	01-13-05	Fermann et al.	
	Exhibit. 4	6,275,512	08-14-01	Fermann	
	Exhibit. 5	6,954,575	10-11-05	Fermann et al.	
	Exhibit. 6	2001/0024458	09-27-01	Fermann	
	Exhibit. 8	5,422,897	08-06-95	Wyatt et. al.	
	Exhibit. 15	6,496,301	12-17-02	Koplow et. al.	
	Exhibit. 21	5,187,759	02-16-93	DiGiovanni et. al.	
	Exhibit. 22	5,880,877	03-09-99	Fermann et. al.	

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		<u>Opinion Rendered for SPI Lasers plc Regarding IMA's U.S. Patent Nos. 5,818,630, 6,275,512 and 6,954,575 and IMRA's Pending Published Patent Applications '547, '044 and '458, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. March 2, 2006</u>	
	Exhibit. 7	Lih-Mei Yang, Generation and Amplification of Ultrashort Pulses in Erbium Neodymium, and Thulium Fibers, Dissertation Abstracts International, VI. 57, No. 6, Section B, Page 3823 (December 1996)(the Yang dissertation)	
	Exhibit. 9	B. Desthieux et al., 111 kW (0.5mJ) pulse amplification at 1.5 um using a Gated Cascade of Three Erbium-Doped Fiber Amplifiers, Appl. Phys. Lett., Vol. 63, No. 5, 586-88 (August 2, 1993) (The Desthieux publication)	
	Exhibit. 10	Notice of Allowability dated May 26, 1998 (the '630 patent)	
	Exhibit. 11	April 25, 2003 Declaration filed in the '547 published application	

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	Exhibit 12	February 16, 2001 Declaration filed in the '044 published application	
	Exhibit 13	May 27, 2003 Preliminary Amendment filed in the '547 published application.	
	Exhibit 14	June 10, 2003 Preliminary Amendment filed in the '547 published application	
	Exhibit 16	November 19, 2003 Office Action issued in the '547 published application	
	Exhibit 17	January 26, 2004 Response filed in the '547 published application	
	Exhibit 18	April 27, 2004 Notice of Allowability issued in the '547 published application	
	Exhibit 19	May 20, 2004 Preliminary Amendment filed in the '547 published application	
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	Exhibit 24	Rule 132 Declaration, filed January 21, 2005, in the '547 published application	
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	Exhibit 26	June 30, 2005 Interview Summary in the '547 published application	
	Exhibit 27	August 22, 2005 Amendment filed in the '547 published application	
	Exhibit 28	December 20, 2005 Office Action issued in the '547 published application	
	Exhibit 29	M. Fermann, Single-mode excitation of multimode fibers with ultrashort pulses, Optics Lett., Volume 23, No. 1, 52-54 (January 1, 1998)	
	Exhibit 30	January 12, 2006 Responses filed in the '547 published application	
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